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**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF  
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)**

Docket No.  
**MFA-11902/04**

In Re Application Of: Juergen Schlegel et al.

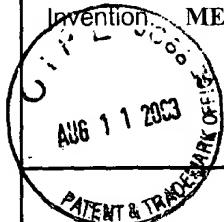
Serial No.

Filing Date  
October 10, 2000

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Invention: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PROCESSING FRESH MEAT



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**TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of April 10, 2003 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month       Two months       Three months       Four months       Five months

from: July 10, 2003 *Date* until: August 10, 2003 *Date*

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

is enclosed.  
 has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	17 -	20 =	0	x \$9.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	1 -	3 =	0	x \$42.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$55.00
<b>TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME</b>					<b>\$55.00</b>

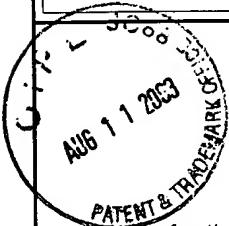
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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

A check in the amount of \$55.00 for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.

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The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1180

Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.

Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 07-1180

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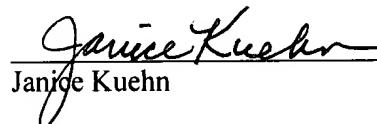
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